

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
TAMPA DIVISION

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MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
TAMPA, FLORIDA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA :

v. :

CASE NO.: 8:03-CR-77-T-30-TBM

SAMI AMIN AL-ARIAN,
SAMEEH HAMMOUDEH,
GHASSAN ZAYED BALLUT,
HATIM NAJI FARIZ :

**GOVERNMENT'S REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE A RESPONSE TO
DEFENDANT AL-ARIAN'S MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION BY THE DISTRICT
COURT OF THE MAGISTRATE'S ORDER CONCERNING THE DEFENDANT'S
MOTION TO COMPEL**

The United States of America by Paul I. Perez, United States Attorney, Middle District of Florida, hereby respectfully requests, pursuant to Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 45(b), this Honorable Court grant an extension of time up to and including July 14, 2004 to file a Memorandum responding to Defendant Al-Arian's Motion for Reconsideration by the District Court of the Magistrate's Order Concerning the Defendant's Motion to Compel (Doc. 555).

On June 16, 2004, Defendant Al-Arian filed a motion seeking reconsideration of Magistrate Judge McCoun's Order dated May 23, 2004 (Doc. 544). Defendant, however, failed to serve a copy of said motion on the United States, or notify the United States that any motion had been filed.¹ As a result, the United States was not aware

¹The certificate of service attached to Defendant's motion is undated.

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that the motion for reconsideration had been filed until June 29, 2004, when a staff member noticed the docket entry on the Court's website. For this reason, the United States requests a short extension of time to prepare a response to Defendant's Motion.

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